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Hirofumi TAKETSU : ALUMINUM-PLATED STEEL  
Masaya YAMAMOTO : SHEET FOR FUEL TANK AND  
Keiji IZUMI : PROCESS FOR PRODUCING  
Shuntaro SUDO : FUEL TANK FROM THE STEEL  
SHEET

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete and amend section headings as follows. (Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121, marked-up versions of the amended section headings are attached.)

On page 1, please delete the section heading "SPECIFICATION".